

MENOMONIE PLAN COMMISSION

Minutes

April 25, 2011

A regular meeting of the Menomonie Plan Commission was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on **April 25, 2011** in the City Hall Council Chambers by Chairman Peltier.

Members Present: Cook, Smith, Klos, Beety & Martinson

Others Present: Ritscher, Sander, Schofield, Bielfuss, Dahl, Jones, Eide and Prange

A motion was made by Beety, seconded by Cook to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

Barry Ritscher, representing Waumandee State Bank appeared before the Commission seeking input on a possible rezoning at 1215 Gilbert Creek Road which would allow the home to be rebuilt if destroyed / damaged. The property is currently zoned General Industrial and is under foreclosure by the financial institution which is trying to weigh its options regarding the vacant single family home. The Commission expressed concerns with spot zoning, lack of utilities, surrounding industrial uses and possible FEMA flood plain issues. Mr. Ritscher thanked the Commission for their input. No official action was taken by the Commission.

Patrick Bielfuss and Wendy Sander from Cedar Corporation presented preliminary information regarding building permits since 2004, single versus multi-family units, pending UW-Stout housing plans and information regarding health impact assessments. The Commission considered these discussion items and were asked to review the housing chapter goals and provide input to the planners for discussion at a future meeting.

City staff noted the downtown redevelopment concept plan that had been recently presented to the community. Commissioner Smith asked that the city consider changes to the height limitation and parking requirements for various types of developments. Mr. Smith also suggested looking at the Technology Park / East side zoning for appropriate land use activities in that part of the community. These items will be added to future agendas for Commission discussion consideration.

A motion was made by Smith, seconded by Martinson to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lowell Prange,
Recording Secretary